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Nevada Veterans Coalition Issues Call for Volunteers and Donations

Story and photos by Robert Perea

On the second Saturday of every December, more than 1,000 people turn out to the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Fernley and in more than 4,300 other cemeteries across the United States and its territories to lay wreaths on the graves of those who served our country.



Christmas wreaths at Northern Nevada Veteran's Cemetery.

The Fernley event is sponsored by the Nevada Veterans Coalition, which hosts the annual Memorial Day ceremony and performs hundreds of military services annually for veterans laid to rest or interred at the cemetery.

Nevada Veterans Coalition President Rich Crombie was the Fallon Chamber of Commerce's November luncheon guest speaker. He said the coalition focuses on ensuring no veteran is forgotten. He also said the coalition is short-handed in both

volunteers and funds.

"Every single person in this room, especially you vets, can volunteer for the NVC," Crombie said. "You don't have to be a vet. You just have to be willing to put on the uniform and honor your veterans."

Crombie is a 9-year United States Navy submarine veteran who served in Pearl Harbor from 1977-86. He is also a Gold Star father; his son is interred at Arlington National Cemetery.

He said he joined the coalition after attending one of its events and decided he wanted to help.

"In 2009, the Honor Guard was established, and the mission was clear. We've got to honor our veterans, support their families, provide the full military honors that they so richly deserve," Crombie said. "We want to make sure these veterans are never forgotten."

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First Responders' Food Drive Breaks Record

By Rachel Dahl, Photos courtesy of Chris Ceresola and Beth Riley.

When the dust cleared Sunday afternoon after a busy morning at Walmart and a procession to the scales at Golden Gate, the final tally was made, and a new record was set for the First Responders' Food Drive. Between the Churchill County Sheriff, City of Fallon Police Department, Fallon/Churchill Fire Department, Search and Rescue, and Banner EMS, a whopping 28,180 pounds of food and water were gathered to help the needy in our community.

"You all put up with our shenanigans and our disruption of your day," organizer Beth Riley said. "The support and generosity of this community never ceases to amaze me. During a year where absolutely everything is more expensive our community came out in force."

Now in its ninth year, the First Responders' Food Drive is held on the first Sunday of December, and plans for next year's event are underway. But this year, Riley wasn't sure how things were going to go.

"When I woke up, I was worried that our newest addition, Care Flight, wouldn't be able to land due to the fog. I know the safety of the crew is our priority. At 10:30, during weigh-in, we got the final go-ahead, and the fog had lifted enough to bring in the helicopter," Riley said, "People love to see them. It's always a big deal when a large part of a parking lot is cautioned taped off."

She was also worried about the turnout and whether they would



FPD Captain Riley hands over beloved trophy to CCSO Corporal Hardin.

meet their goal. "This year felt really slow. The air just felt different. I was discouraged midway through. I didn't feel like we were getting the turnout like we normally get midway. Boy, was I wrong. I should

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Captain's Log

By Rachel Dahl

Star date 78389... the universal symbol for "I have nothing to say this morning and have been staring at this blank screen for several hours interspersed with lengthy sessions of social media scrolling."

I made tea. I made coffee. I made scrambled eggs. Fed the chickens and the bunnies. Discovered that I have indeed, finally solved the problem of the bunny water freezing every morning.

The bunnies are super funny. Joe Burrow has been getting groomed nightly this week – he is the white bunny born the year the Bengals played the Rams in the Super Bowl. He has the most fabulous fiber, shiny white and super soft, but he gets messy fast, and keeping his fur from matting takes a massive amount of work.

But, wow, is it worth it. I cannot wait to show off the first little beanie I make out of that white fiber.

When it comes to grooming these fancy English Angora bunnies, it's super important not to get them wet. Imagine a wool sweater that you wash and put in the dryer – never a good result. However, at times, bunny digestive systems lead one to situations where only warm water will help.

We were in that situation Sunday night, and after quite some time spent with a warm blow dryer, I still didn't think it a good idea to put a wet bunny butt back in the bunny shed for the night. Normally, angora bunnies can withstand very cold temperatures. They are, of course, made for the cold. I always



This bucket of Joe Burrow fiber will get spun next.

worry about this, in spite of extensive research on the matter, because of my own personal, intrinsic resistance to winter weather.

Imagine my relief as the cold questions were finally put to rest on Monday morning when I found Mr. Burrow in the coldest corner of the house, snuggled up to the back door in the laundry room, sleeping soundly in his now-dry fur coat.

This also makes me worry about putting a heater in the

bunny shed. For a couple reasons. Number one, what if they get too hot? Number two, what if they're so warm they quit growing thick, wooly fiber? Last winter, I definitely got them too warm in there at night. We had thin, weird coats by February. This winter, I got everyone trimmed down in September, and we are on our way to right proper wool.

Which means I'm reluctant to introduce the heater. However, if I don't, the dang water bottle freezes every morning, and the way the bunny shed sits, they don't thaw until the end of the day, so we have perpetually thirsty bunnies. Which leads to the digestive thing and blow drying, yadda-yadda-yadda...

Finally, though, I seem to have found the sweet spot with the radiator heat. No ice. Thick coats. I think we're there.

So, while we spin more yarn and ready for knitting, we'll be right here...
...Keeping you Posted.

Rach.

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Care Flight Inbound to Food Drive.



CCSO Deputy's Assoc pitches in.

know better. Our community comes together like no other."

After weighing everyone at the Golden Gate scales, Riley said she and the store manager were overcome. "Not only did we beat our goal of 25,000 pounds of food and water, but we also surpassed it. In 2020 we raised 27,260 pounds, but then our numbers were slowly going down each year – in 2021 25,600, in 2022 it was 24,040, and last year 23,666."

This year, the First Responders gathered 28,180 pounds of food and water that will go directly to feed the local community. The Sheriff's Department was victorious in winning the coveted trophy with 10,160 pounds; second was the Fallon Police Department with 7,220; the Fire Department came in at 4,540,

Search and Rescue with 3,460, and Banner EMS with 2,800. "In nine years, we have raised 174,634 pounds of food," Riley said.

Riley said she is so grateful to the community for all the support given to this event. "Thank you to Walmart for letting us take over your parking lot for the day. We also want to thank Golden Gate; every year, they let us use their scales. And Out of Egypt. Without them, this would not be possible."

Sheriff Richard Hickox also thanked the community and Riley. "Beth Riley, we thank you for your vision, your drive, and your commitment to getting this great event started and keeping it going each year. We live in a great community, and this is just one more shining example of that."

FEATURES

Faith and Focus Prepare Top Ranking Bull Rider T.J. Gray for His First NFR

By Leanna Lehman

What cool things happen in December? Why, all the favorites, of course—the winter solstice that chases away the short days, Christmas and its festive good cheer, and New Year's Eve, abounding with shiny confidence in the year to come. For several Nevadans, however, another cherished event happens in December: The National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas.



Photo courtesy of T.J. Gray.

Fallon is sending one of its own to compete in bull riding this year. While T.J. Gray may not have been born in the Silver State, he's been honorarily adopted by enthusiastic locals, his girlfriend, Kalona Marr, and his roommate, professional bull rider Billy Quillan, to name a few.

The 23-year-old from Dairy, Oregon, has lived in Fallon for a couple of years but has been riding roughstock for most of his life. According to Gray, he began riding at an early age. And, indeed, he did. "I started on calves at five and then just kind of worked my way up," said Gray, who went on to ride steers and eventually bulls.

After competing in high school rodeo, he

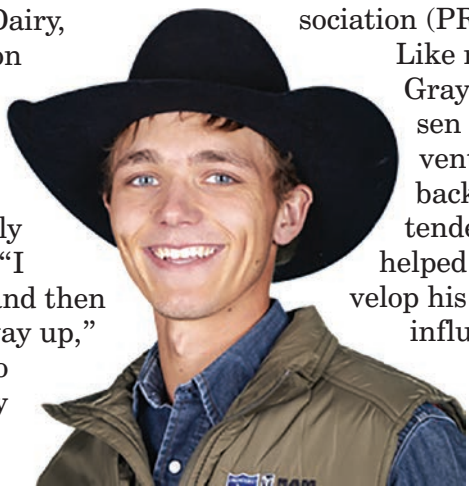


Photo courtesy of PRCA.

moved directly into professional bull riding competitions. "I started getting on [bulls] professionally when I was 18," he said. Gray has had some guidance along the way with his father, Tim, and older brother, Levi, both bull riders. Now, he is the top-ranking bull rider in the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association (PRCA) world standings.

Like many professional bull riders, Gray has focused solely on his chosen roughstock event and has not ventured into saddle bronc or bareback riding. However, he has attended bull riding clinics, which helped him refine his skills and develop his style. Gray said two of the most influential schools were the Gary Leffew and Shane Proctor Bull Riding Schools, both run by NFR world champion bull riders. Gray hopes to pay it forward someday and would

like to help young riders develop their skills. If all goes well, that could happen as early as December here in Fallon.

Living with Quillan grants Gray access to a practice pen of bulls, providing opportunities to hone his abilities between competitions. It must be working because 2024 is Gray's first National Finals Rodeo; he is ranked first in the world and has \$244,844 in earnings on the books for the season. Not bad for 23, with several of his competitors having also had the benefit of years and experience on the college rodeo circuit.

Gray has had several bull-riding legends who have motivated him over the years. "For me, I kind of take a little bit of the positive from every bull rider I admire," he said. "If you focus too much on one person, you try to become them instead of yourself." Gray encourages young competitors to find their riding style. "Try to steal certain things [techniques] from each guy...and be inspired."

Gray believes his great year is partially due to some help from above and his not trying to force things. "Instead of trying to rush to make it all work out myself, I just trusted His plan," he explained. "It worked out a lot better this year than trying to do it alone."

On Monday, December 2, Gray drove south to Las Vegas after visiting his parents in Oregon for Thanksgiving. With a bit of faith and his friends and family cheering him on, he'll be a tough match for some of the meanest bull flesh in the country. Good luck, T.J.—Fallon is rooting for you!

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The coalition is endorsed by the U.S. Army and is sanctioned by the U.S. Department of Defense and the Nevada Department of Veterans Services. The NVC is headquartered in Fernley, with an office at 140 N. Main Street, but includes members from all over Nevada.

"We've also been awarded by the Gary Sinise Foundation, and one year, we're going to get him to come out," Crombie said.

"We like to call them patriots, of course," Crombie said. "They believe in honoring, remembering the soldiers, the sailors, the airmen, and the marines who served their country with duty, and now they're laid to rest at the Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery."

This year, the cemetery surpassed 14,000 buried or interred veterans.

The Veterans Coalition is a 501 c3 nonprofit that operates under bylaws and has a board of directors. The coalition's mantra is "Honoring all veterans past, present and future."

"Obviously, the ones for the past has to do with making sure they receive the proper military honors for their burial," Crombie said. "We try to make sure the proper protocols are followed, and it's really a top-notch service."

In addition to regular military burials, the coalition also performs Unaccompanied Services on the fourth Thursday of every month to honor veterans who have died and have no family. That includes their Missing in Nevada project, where the coalition works with funeral homes to identify veterans whose remains have not been claimed by family. Those remains are then brought to the cemetery and given the proper honors.

"We do the exact same thing as if family were there," Crombie said. "We vowed that not one veteran would be left unclaimed on a shelf."

Toward its mission to honor present veterans, the coalition has a Veterans Service Officer in the Fernley office. They also go to veterans' homes and the Veterans Guest House in Reno, helping vets with whatever programs they need.

In honoring future veterans, Crombie said they provide education, speak to many schools and civic organizations, and post colors at business openings, school presentations, and special events. They also lead the annual Fernley 4th of July parade and have an informational booth at the park.

"You need us to represent veterans in America. We're the people you can call," he said. "We'll go wherever you need us to go."

Although Northern Nevada Veterans Cemetery is a state-run cemetery, Crombie said the state doesn't always have enough money for everything it needs. Hence, the coalition also helps with whatever is required at the cemetery.

"We want to make sure that everything in that cemetery is top-notch," he said. "It's almost as though you walked into Arlington."

The Memorial Day ceremony and Wreaths Across America are the two main events the coalition hosts every year, and they also participate in the Fernley 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony and a Flag Day event.

Wreaths Across America was started in 1992 at Arlington National Cemetery by Morrill Worcester, owner of Worcester Wreath Company of Harrington, Maine. The event went national after a photo of headstones adorned with wreaths at Arlington National Cemetery was circulated online.



Crombie addresses the Chamber.

The Nevada Veterans Coalition had about 20 wreaths in its first year of memorial participation. They covered every headstone in the cemetery for the first time in 2014 and have done so every year since.

Wreaths Across America is held on the second Saturday of December. It starts at 9 a.m. and typically lasts about 20 to 30 minutes as family members, volunteers, and people from the community come to lay wreaths and pay their respects.

Crombie said the wreaths cost \$17 each, but if they buy them in January, they get one free for every two they buy. They are still provided by the Worcester Wreath Company and shipped nationwide.

Crombie said that every year after they purchase the wreaths, any surplus money is rolled over to the next year to take advantage of the January buy two, get one free deal. But that means they have to have money in January, and he said this year, the coalition must dip into its surplus to ensure it can cover every headstone. Crombie said they had to order wreaths by Nov. 29 to get them here in time.

"This year, we don't have a surplus because now we're taking the surplus to fund this year, so we're going to roll into 2025 kind of behind, which is not good," Crombie said. "We're about 2,000 wreaths short for this year."

Donations for Wreaths Across America can be made at the nncv.org. There is a QR code where you can order a wreath for the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Fernley, or you can click on the Wreaths Across America link and designate your wreath to be delivered to any cemetery in the United States.

For information about Wreaths Across America, the Nevada Veterans Coalition, or any of its programs, call 775-575-6842 or email info@supportnncv.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Movies & More
December 6 & 7

By Kelli Perez



Here we are in the final month of 2024, and as has been tradition for many a year, the annual Maine Street Christmas Tree Lighting is scheduled for the first Friday in December.

Immediately following the tree lighting, we will have the Lahontan Valley Concert Choir on stage at the Fallon Theatre for a short round of beautiful carols, followed by our two movies for the weekend, which are sponsored generously by Sierra Financial - "Jack Frost" and "It's a Wonderful Life."

Santa's Wonderland in the City Hall Courtyard will kick off Saturday's events on December 7, from 10 a.m. until noon, with cookie decorating, ornament crafting, letter writing to Santa, ice skating, horse-drawn carriage rides, and photos with Santa.

Playing on Friday and Saturday at the Fallon Theatre, we have the 1979 stop-motion animated adventure "Jack Frost," rated TV-G. The Groundhog tells how Jack Frost became human and helped a knight win his lady love. This musical wintery tale has a runtime of 48 minutes.

Also playing on both nights, we have the heartwarming 1946 holiday family drama "It's a Wonderful Life," starring James Stewart and Donna Reed at 7 p.m. An angel is sent from heaven to help a desperately frustrated businessman by showing him what life would have been like if he had never existed. This film has a runtime of 2 hours and 10 minutes.

And while this weekend will be nothing short of fantastic, we're also gearing up for our very special "Polar Express" Weekend on December 13 and 14. Bassham Furniture sponsors this free event, featuring three opportunities for a 4D experience with vibrations, scent, mist, confetti, and more.

If you would like to book a Marquee Message or reserve an auditorium for a party, please leave us a message at 775-423-6210 or email us at thefallontheatre@gmail.com.

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November Annulments / Divorces

Table listing various divorce and annulment cases with names and dates.



November Marriages

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OBITUARIES

MILDRED JUNE WARD

February 11, 1928-November 10, 2024

Mildred June Ward was born on February 11, 1928, to Liz and Merritt Yeoman in Fallon, NV. She left this earth on November 10, 2024, and was gathered to Heaven to worship at her Savior's feet. It is the life lived on the dash between those two dates that made her the most extraordinary of people. There are not enough words or paper to accurately capture the woman we called Mom, Ma, Gram, Gramma, Millie, and Mildred.

She spent her growing up years on Ferguson Street across from the Old High School—where she graduated in June 1945. She had a great childhood playing with friends and attending local schools—including Cottage School, West End, and Oats Park. Throughout her growing up, she played competitive sports, including anything involving running—like track, baseball, and especially basketball. She won several trophies for her athletic endeavors.

She married her sweetheart, Stu Ward, while still in high school and five days before he was deployed to the Pacific Theatre of World War II. Once Stu returned, they established their home here in Fallon and began their family. She worked many jobs throughout the early years—as a waitress at various restaurants, the Fallon Theatre, and Tedford Tires.

They welcomed their first son, Ron, in 1946, and Steve followed in 1948. Mildred was a very active mom with her boys and

other boys in the community and pushed them to explore and have fun—on the baseball field and wherever their adventures led them.

In the mid-50s they moved to North Carolina to be close to Stu's family but after five weeks moved "home" to Fallon. As life would have it, the family packed up and moved to the Bay area in the mid-60s for Stu's work. During that time, she took a job with Bank of America, which she loved. A couple of years later, life would bring them back home to Fallon...again. In those years, she worked for Deal & Miller and then All Season Homes, where she did the books and sold mobile homes to many people in the community. She retired but returned to work in 1992 for Bassham Furniture, where she



did their books for several years. She was a lover of pencils and ledgers, so when the computer came in, she officially and permanently retired from work.

While she worked hard, modeled, and instilled a strong work ethic in her loved ones, she played hard, too. Weekends were for fun and sharing with anybody who wanted to learn or come along. They were spent water-skiing, fishing, hunting, camping, hiking, shooting, motorcycle, then 4-wheeler riding. She and Stu loved being outside and exploring Nevada, rock collecting, playing pool, and wood cutting. At one time, they had the largest woodpile in the valley. If you were invited to their home, you signed her tablecloth "guest book." In fact, an ambulance attendant once was not allowed to wheel her out of the house until

he signed the tablecloth. If you were lucky, at some time, you received a knit blanket, socks, or sweater from her.

Mildred was not a loud and boisterous person nor one to seek attention, but she had a magnetic personality. She was a great and wise conversationalist who was quick to smile and laugh. She loved a good joke and loved finding new adventures until the very end. She loved God with all her whole heart, her whole soul, and her whole mind. Her faith and hope in her Savior Jesus Christ alone. She proudly, protectively, and fiercely loved her family and friends.

If she could offer advice to someone, it would be these three things. First, seek Jesus. He will take you as you are, and He will never fail you. Second, love your family and friends. Spend time with them; work and "things" are replaceable, loved ones are not. Third, wear sunscreen.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her beloved Stu, brother Mit, and grandson Tony. She is survived by her sons Ron (Nancy) and Steve (Michelle), grandchildren Mark (Natalie) Caffaratti, Kim Klenakis, Tim (Laurie) Ward, Sarah (Matt) Gill, Moriah and Hannah Ward, ten great-grandchildren, six great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. Her family has grown throughout the years as she is also blessed with numerous loved ones she has gathered who call her mom and Gram.

The family would like to thank those who loved and cared for her at The Homestead and the staff at Banner Churchill Community Hospital. There are so many stories to tell and be heard. The family would love for you to share your stories. Please go to Facebook and join the group "Memories of Millie."

If you would like to donate in her memory, please give to the Fallon Churchill Fire Department or Renown Children's Hospital.

CAROL JOY WEARING-JOHNSON

July 24, 1943-November 4, 2024



Carol Joy Wearing-Johnson, loving wife, mother, sister, mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend to many, passed peacefully at her home on November 4, 2024, after a short battle with cancer.

Carol was born on July 24, 1943, in Lincoln, Nebraska, to Troy and Thelma Selvey. Her family relocated to Riverside, California, in 1954, where she married and raised her family. She worked at Parkview Community Hospital for 27 years as an accountant and was nominated for Employee of the Year in 1986. After retirement, Carol moved to Fallon, NV in 2000.

Family was always first for Carol, and her love, wisdom, and kindness will continue to touch the lives

of those she loved. A cherished member of her community, Carol cared deeply for others and dedicated her time to activities such as volunteering at the Eagles Club and supporting veterans. She also enjoyed traveling, having visited much of the nation over her life.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband, George Johnson, daughter Penny (Brett) Cassell, sons Danny (Lisa) Scalf, and Gregory Scalf, stepdaughter Debbie (Jimmy) Potter, and stepson Jamie (Laurie) Johnson. She was blessed with 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She will be forever loved and never forgotten.

There will be a Memorial Service for Carol on December 7, 2024, at The Gardens Funeral Home at 11 a.m., located at 2949 Austin Highway, Fallon, NV, with a reception to follow in the Reception Hall.



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COMMUNITY

Honor Court Held for Local Eagle Scouts

By Carrie Sheldon-Davis, Photos courtesy of Troop 1776.

“Becoming an Eagle Scout is a great accomplishment; being an Eagle Scout is a great responsibility,” Steve Endacott, Troop Charter Representative from Fallon Rotary, said.

On Saturday, October 30, at Oats Park Arts Center, three Oasis Academy Juniors, dually enrolled at Western Nevada College, received their Eagle Scout in a Court of Honor surrounded by over 100 of their family and friends. Zandar Sheldon-Davis, Austin Thibodaux, and Aidan Clark are now part of the elite and have achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. All three boys have been involved in scouting since they were Tiger Cubs at the age of six. Each boy had to, at a minimum, complete 21 merit badges, be a leader, complete many hours of community service, and plan and carry out a service project.

Combined, they completed 133 Merit Badges and had over 200 nights camped, including 18 Summer Camps. One was a high-adventure sailing camp. All three



Eagle Scout Aidan Clark & mom Jennifer Clark, Eagle Scout Austin Thibodaux with mom Misty Thibodaux & Eagle Scout Zandar Sheldon-Davis & mom Carrie Sheldon-Davis, after pinning.



Eagle Scout Aidan Clark, Eagle Scout Austin Thibodaux & Eagle Scout Zandar Sheldon-Davis.

suffered through covid, which meant attending online camps. “They hiked over 270 miles and performed well over 330 hours of community service, and this does not include any of their many, many hours on their own Eagle Projects,” Jeremy Clark, Troop Scoutmaster, said.

Sheldon-Davis replaced small game guzzler #19 for Nevada Fish and Game here in the Lahontan Valley. Thibodaux did a renovation project for Fallon Youth Baseball at the Minors' field score booth and storage garage. Clark designed and built a Gaga Pit for his youth group at Oasis Community Church.

“An Eagle Scout Court of Honor marks

the end of one journey and the commitment to another; a commitment to better Scouting where all may participate, a commitment to better citizenship, and a commitment to be an example of leadership to all,” said Jace Slentz, Troop 1776 Chaplain Aide on Saturday.

Sheldon-Davis and Thibodaux will attend a four-year college, and Clark will start his own business as a small boutique boarding and dog training facility after graduation from Oasis Academy and WNC in the spring of 2026.

If your son is interested in joining Troop 1776, please reach out to Committee Chairman Melissa Fecht at 360-510-7882.



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Interns of the Week



John Evans. Photo by Dr Sue Segura.

By Dr Sue Segura

This week's interns are Daniel Ferguson and Rylee Alvarez, who work at Top Gun Carwash.

Top Gun Carwash became one of the CCHS intern program's business partnerships this fall. John Evans and his parents, who own the carwash, employ three high school students.

I first met John Evans when he was a third grader in my classroom. Mrs. Evans used to sneak Snickers into John's lunch box for me every day. The Evans family is an excellent fit for the intern program and for helping the students.

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CHURCHILL COUNTY COURTS

*Murder Case Update***Identification Made of Woman Found Buried Near Del Rio Drive in Fallon**

By Leanna Lehman

On November 20, Daniel Munoz, 71, was arrested and taken into custody on charges of Open Murder. According to information released by the Reno Police Department, their office initiated a joint investigation with the Churchill County Sheriff's Office regarding the disappearance of a 40-year-old woman with ties to Fallon.

The Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office released information on November 27 identifying the woman who was found dead near Del Rio Drive in Fallon on November 21 as Xiaoxia Zhang – Munoz's wife. Xiaoxia Zhang, 40, of Reno, was pronounced dead at the scene. The cause and manner of death are pending further investigation.

On Tuesday, November 26, Sheriff Richard Hickox confirmed that Munoz's four young children are safe. "They were with a family member last I knew," stated Hickox, "DCFS was notified, so they will be working to ensure the safety and proper placement of the kids."

Daniel Munoz, who has been charged with the murder, was scheduled for a bail hearing on Wednesday, November 27. However, the hearing was continued until January 15.

The charges against Munoz are alleged. All defendants are guaranteed the constitutional right of a presumption of innocence until proven guilty.



Older photograph of Munoz, Xiaoxia Zhang, and three of their four children. Photo courtesy of BCBay.com.

Denied Bail in Filiatraut Murder Case Richards Facing Unrelated Sexual Assault Charge

By Leanna Lehman

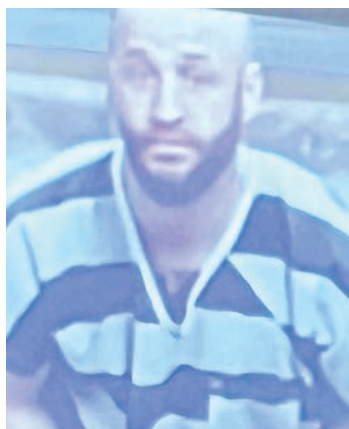
Robert Matthew Richards, currently in custody at the Lyon County Jail, appeared in Canal Township Justice Court in Fernley last week. Richards is charged with the murder of 25-year-old Sara Filiatraut.

Filiatraut had been arrested in Lyon County on March 18, 2024, on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and being an intoxicated pedestrian who went missing shortly after her release on March 21.

The Lyon County Sheriff's Office (LSCO) began investigating Filiatraut's disappearance on April 15 when her father reported he could not contact her and that she had not been active on social media since March 21, which was unlike her. A friend of Filiatraut's told detectives that she was at his property in Fernley on March 22 when she called a phone number with a California area code from his phone and asked for a ride.

On May 22, LSCO investigators, alongside Churchill County Sheriff's deputies, discovered Filiatraut's body approximately 30 miles east of Fallon. Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office completed an autopsy and, on the same day, ruled her death a homicide. On May 27, Richards admitted to LSCO detectives during a phone brief that he was with Filiatraut on March 22, the last known person to see her alive. On the same day, Richards' former employer told investigators Richards said: "he was being investigated for murder and that he was not going to work, and that 'he was bailing out.'"

Investigators traveled to Colorado and, with the assistance of the Grand County Sheriff's Office and the Colorado Bureau of Investigations, executed a search warrant, which resulted in the collection of numerous pieces of physical evidence, which led to a warrant for Richards' arrest. Colorado is the base of operations for the company Richards was working for during his time in Fernley. Lyon County Detectives had identified



Robert Richards appearing in court via Zoom from Lyon County Jail.

Robert Richards as the last known person to have seen Filiatraut. With the physical evidence collected in Colorado increasingly pointing to Richards as the primary suspect, multiple law enforcement agencies joined efforts to locate his whereabouts. The investigation included the Lyon, Churchill, Elko, and Washoe County Sheriff's Offices, Reno's Regional Human Trafficking and Exploitation Unit (HEAT), the Nevada State Police Investigations Division, the Grand County (Colorado) Sheriff's Office, the Colorado Bureau of Investigation, the U.S. Marshals Service, the Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office, and the Saratoga Springs Police Department in Utah.

Richards was apprehended on July 29 in Utah and placed in the Salt Lake City Jail on charges of first-degree murder. After three months in custody and losing a battle against his extradition, Richards was transported to Nevada and booked into the Lyon County Jail on November 5.

The Criminal Complaint alleges that Richards did "with premeditation and deliberation, malice and aforethought, kill Sara Filiatraut, a human being, by strangulation and/or blunt force trauma, all of which occurred at or near Desert Rose RV Park" in Fernley.

Richards appeared via Zoom for his first justice court hearing on November 12, where he waived his right to a pretrial hearing within 15 days. On November 19, he appeared again via Zoom for a bail hearing before Justice Court Judge Lori Matheus in Fernley.

Lyon County District Attorney Stephen Rye for the State of Nevada strongly opposed bail. "Mr. Richards is accused of killing Sara Filiatraut and dumping her body," Rye stated, highlighting details from the arrest warrant that suggested Richards posed a significant risk to the community.

"He has a pretrial case pending," said Rye, "He has prior felony convictions, several of which are violent, and he does not live in the state of Nevada."

Rye noted Richards' unemployed status and lack of community ties and that he fought extradition back to Nevada.

"He doesn't have a reason to stick around," said Rye, who asked the court to hold Richards without bail.

Patrick Mansfield, Richards' appointed public defender from Walther Law Office, PLLC in Dayton, petitioned for bail of \$100,000 bondable. According to Mansfield, Richards was employed until he was taken into custody. "The one point there is somewhat misleading," said Mansfield, "because he was employed at the time of arrest, and now, obviously, he's incarcerated."

"He has two potential job opportunities if released," Mansfield said. He also claimed that Richards' prior criminal charges were not recent and asked the court "not to discriminate against him for being homeless or a non-resident."

Mansfield briefly addressed Richards' pending pretrial case, stating the allegations occurred before the current charges, and reiterated his request for bail at \$100,000.

Rye countered Mansfield's arguments, citing Richards' history of multiple violent felony convictions. "Additionally, the court is familiar with the charges of sexual assault," Rye said, remarking that the allegations indicate a pattern of criminal behavior.

According to Rye, the alleged sexual assault occurred within weeks of Filiatraut's murder. Should bail be considered, Rye recommended a \$1 million minimum.

Court records show that Richards was booked into the Lyon County Jail on April 8 on unrelated charges of sexual assault. He was released on his own recognizance with enhanced supervision on April 10. On June 18, he failed to appear for a scheduled hearing, and Judge Matheus issued a \$1,000 cash-only bail. By July 29, Richards had been taken into custody in Utah on the murder charge.

The Nevada Constitution does not require judges to consider bail for defendants charged with capital offenses. After hearing arguments from both sides, Judge Matheus denied bail, citing "the nature of the charges, the risk to the community, and the fight against extradition." She also referenced Richards' pattern of conduct and pending charges of alleged sexual assault and kidnapping.

The court scheduled Richards' next hearing for December 31 at 10 a.m.

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BUSINESS

Alert 30 Pizza

Story and photo by Nancy Chapman

Alert 30 Pizza Restaurant inside The Grid Market had its ribbon cutting and grand opening on November 25, 2024. Paul and Tiffany Picotte, owners of The Grid Market and Alert 30 Pizza Restaurant, decided to work the kinks out before having their grand opening. Adding Alert 30 Pizza Restaurant allows families to go out for a meal and truly have something for every family member.

The pizzas are made as ordered with fresh and delicious ingredients, offering two crusts, traditional or cauliflower. The menu lets customers choose from ingredients, sauces, and crusts. Made to order for dine-in or take-out.



Front row L-R: Ava Case, Maddie Renroe, Emi Emerson, Tiffany Picotte, Paul Picotte, Emma-Rose Mitchell, Bradon Mitchell. Second Row L-R: Jeremy Morrow, Shirley Hiatt, Bart Hiatt, Kevin Smith, Hunter Drost, Julie Dolan, Scott Johnston, Valerie Johnston, Melissa Hansen, Alex Hooper, Luiz Lopez Pinuelas, Sadie Miller

Shop Small Saturday Huge Success



Maine Street saw heavy foot traffic during the Shop Small event.

Staff Report, Photos by Rachel Dahl.

Crowds flocked to the Old Post Office at 8 a.m. on Saturday to pick up their Shop Small bags, wiping out Executive Director of the Fallon Chamber Lucy Carnahan's stock. Then, they visited the booths of several home-based businesses that displayed their inventory at individual tables.



Leanna Lehman signs her book at The Fallon Post on Saturday morning during #ShopSmall.

Maine Street was bustling with foot traffic as shoppers made their way through shops and restaurants, with businesses across town participating in the fifteenth year of the Small Business Administration and American Express-sponsored Shop Small Saturday.

Carnahan announced the Bingo and #Gurkha in Business winners. Jennifer Gehant, Michelle White, Val Pip, and Cindy Guzman won the #Gurkha in Business game, while Amber Getto, Lanni Mori, LauraLee Christensen, and Randy Montgomery won the Bingo game.

Congratulations to the winners, and thanks to all the participants, both businesses and shoppers alike!

MEETINGS

December 9-13, 2024

Audit Committee
Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 10 a.m.
County Complex, Room 102
155 N. Taylor St.

Central Nevada Health District
Thursday, Dec. 12 at 1:30 p.m.
County Complex, Room 145
155 N. Taylor St.

Planning Commission
Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 6 p.m.
Commission Chambers
155 N. Taylor St.



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EDUCATION

Veritas Preparatory School

Story and photos by David Ernst

The school was recently visited by special guests Jozi, Gerda, and Rex from the NAS Fallon K9 Unit. Everyone was treated to an exhibition from the Military Working Dog (MWD) handlers. The handlers demonstrated examples of the dogs' training, including several commands and "tricks." Each dog also completed a short obstacle course.

Throughout the demonstration, students learned much

about the U.S. Naval Military Working Dog program. Handlers discussed the training process, where the military typically finds dogs for the program and the situations that might require the use of a dog. Students were given the opportunity to see the dogs chase down a "bad guy" and bring him to swift compliance. Veritas would like to thank the NAS Fallon K9 Unit for a remarkable and enlightening experience.



CCHS Library Study Pod



Photo courtesy of CCSD.

By Kaitlin Ritchie, CCSD PIO

If you have yet to discover the many advantages of the CCHS library's new sound-proof study pod, check it out. The pod is perfect for many things.

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- Make an important phone call
- Study without distractions
- Block out the world for a few minutes

A Nevada Library Services and Technology Act (NSLA) grant was provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by the Nevada State Library and Archives to provide the necessary funding for the library study pod.

UPLIFT

Building Community at Logos Christian Academy



Valerie Wallace, Rebecca Cooper, and Karen Slentz of UPLIFT.

Story and photo by Bridget Slentz

UPLIFT, the parent volunteer group at Logos Christian Academy, has been a vocal point of support for students, teachers, and families for seven years. The team of 23 members gives their time and energy to foster a loving and vibrant school community.

UPLIFT members worked on Thanksgiving and Christmas gifts for teachers and staff at its most recent meeting. They also planned an exciting lineup of activities, including Spirit Day, a spirit wear order, Advent Night featuring Christmas caroling with cookies and hot chocolate, and the Angel Breakfast.

UPLIFT embodies the spirit of Romans 12:7-9: "If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging." Their faithful service and encouragement bring joy and unity to our school family.

Logos Christian Academy extends heartfelt gratitude to UPLIFT. Your dedication and love inspire us all. Thank you for everything you do.

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EDUCATION

Oasis Bulletin

By Angela Viera. Photo courtesy of Oasis Academy.

HONOR SOCIETIES HOLD COAT DRIVES

Oasis Academy National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society have spent the holiday season helping the less fortunate with coat and hygiene drives.

National Junior Honor Society's Coat and Hygiene Drive started in November, and with the large amount of donations being made, it was extended through the Thanksgiving Break until December 12. New and gently used coats and hygiene items may be donated in the lobby of the K-8 building. National Junior Honor Society members are in seventh and eighth grade.

The Oasis Academy National Honor Society is also holding its annual Coat Drive for CASA. Donors may pick up an ornament tag from the tree in the front lobby of the high school and purchase a new coat for the child listed on the ornament. Their drive ends on December 17.

The coat drives serve as a powerful avenue for honor society students to engage in community service, embodying the values of leadership and compassion. By organizing such initiatives, these students fulfill service hour requirements and foster a sense of responsibility and empathy toward those in need.

Contact Racquel Feest, Julie Stockard, or call the school at 775-423-5437 to donate.

BOOK FAIR BACK AT OASIS ACADEMY

The annual Scholastic Book Fair was held December 2-6. The winter wonderland-themed fair was open throughout the week for students and families.

The fair included guest readers and holiday activities along with books for sale. On



Isabel and Annie with the coat drive.

Wednesday night, December 4, Santa attended, and with the help of local photographer Taryn Lenon, families could have photos with Santa.

Oasis Academy's parent organization, Friends of Oasis, hosts the fair. Each teacher was given money to spend at the fair to add to their classroom libraries.

The annual Book Fair was a great opportunity for students to discover new stories and a community gathering where families can connect over their love for reading. The fair featured a variety of titles catering to different age groups and interests, making it an exciting and interactive experience for young readers.

The memorable event was only possible with the parent volunteers and their countless hours preparing for and hosting the fair.

GOLF TOURNAMENT HAS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The Sixth Annual Oasis Academy Golf Tournament was held on Saturday, October 19, at the Fallon Golf Course.

The event had sixteen local teams participating. With prizes given for first through third place, men's and women's closest to the pin, and men's and women's longest drive.

Sponsors for this year's tournament included Manpower of Northern Nevada, the City of Fallon, Tedford Tire, the Western Nevada College Foundation, Nevada Dental Arts, Miles Construction, Churchill Banner Hospital, Classic Finishes, Mackedon, deBraga, and Rowe Law, Frank Woodliff, Hillside Dairy, and the Dentists' Office.

Amazing raffle prizes were also donated by local businesses and individuals including Diana Paul, Mark and Cheryl Venturacci, Erin Griffin, Edison Electric, Hiskett and Sons, Click Bond, Hillside Dairy, BSN, Total Wine, Anna's Thai Massage, Miles Construction, MM Food Truck, Gemmy, In and Out, Scott and Anna-Lisa Laca, Harmon Junction, the Viera Family, Jen Beebe, glo, CC Communications, Tiffany Dickey, Back Roads Vintage Market, and Anne Bloomfield.

Funds raised from the tournament go directly to benefit Oasis Academy's co-curricular activities, including clubs and athletics.

"Thank you to our incredible community for making our annual golf tournament fundraiser a resounding success," said Rochelle Tisdale, High School Principal. "Your participation and support play a vital role in helping us achieve our goals. Together, we are making a difference."

SPORTS

Greenwave Wrestling Getting Ready for Earl Wilkens

Staff Report

The CCHS wrestling team hit the mats for their first week of practice. Last week, they participated in the Turkey Trot as they worked to prepare for the Annual Earl Wilkens Tournament, which takes place this weekend at the Rafter 3C Arena.

	Varsity	JV	Girls
Dec 6 & 7	Earl Wilkens (Rafter 3C)	Earl Wilkens (Rafter 3C)	Wooster (7th only)
Dec 13 & 14	La Costa Canyon (Carlsbad, CA)	McQueen (14th only)	Reed H.S (14th only)
Dec 20 & 21	Warrior Classic (Grand Junction, CO)	Lovelock (21st only)	Lovelock (21st only)
Dec 27 & 28	Sierra NV Classic (Downtown Reno Event Center)	OFF	Sierra NV Classic
Jan 3 & 4	Rollie Lane (Nampa, ID)	Sparks Invitational (Sparks High)	Sparks Invitational
Jan 17 & 18	Fernley Dual 6pm (Fernley High)	Fernley Dual 5pm	Fernley Dual 5pm
Jan 11	Steve Deaton Memorial (Douglas High)	Carson High	Douglas High
Jan 17 & 18	Kiwanis Invitational (Spring Creek High)	South Tahoe High (18th only)	South Tahoe (18th only)
Jan 24 & 25	League Duals (Fernley High School)	JV Zone (McQueen High 25th only)	Regionals (TBA)
Jan 31 & Feb 1	Regionals (Wooster High)		



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COLUMNS

Postcards

By Michon Mackedon

Last week, I wrote about some local hot news items dating from late 1924. I love turning the pages of the old Fallon newspapers. The cliché, “some things never change,” comes to mind, as the headlines in the vintage papers usually proclaim the ups and downs of the local and national economies and the vagaries of local and national politics, while the most-read news is about the sports teams - their wins, their losses, and their woes.

Of equal interest to me are the items that imply that some things never change, but some things do. If I read between the lines, the real story in late 1924 was, “Everybody loves to dance, dance, dance.” Now, that news suggests that there has been a cultural change in our valley.

During the period between November 15 and December 15, 1924, the following ads appeared in the Fallon Standard: “Dance at St. Clair, Saturday, Nov. 15. Best of Music;” “Rebecca Dance, Saturday, Nov. 22, Music by ‘The Original Nevadans;” “Dance at Hazen, December 6, Benefit for Hazen School;” “Dance at St Clair, Saturday, December 13;” “Annual Grand Ball, Knights of Pythias, December 24.” All this dancing squeezed into four weeks.

Many oral histories held by the Churchill County Museum support the idea that during the 1920s, dances were held all the time, with live bands and lively dancers. It was, after all, the Roaring 20s. Frank Woodliff (1910-2010) remembered playing on weekends for high school dances while he was still in high school. He enjoyed his musical avocation well into mid-life.

“We played for the high school dances, and of course, we played on the stage. The old high school has a stage, and we played there and were supposed to quit at midnight...If you knew Mr. McCracken [the principal], you quit at midnight. The fact of the matter is that at five minutes to twelve, you’d find the lights blinking, and at five minutes to twelve, we’d go into our last tune, ‘Goodnight, Sweetheart...”

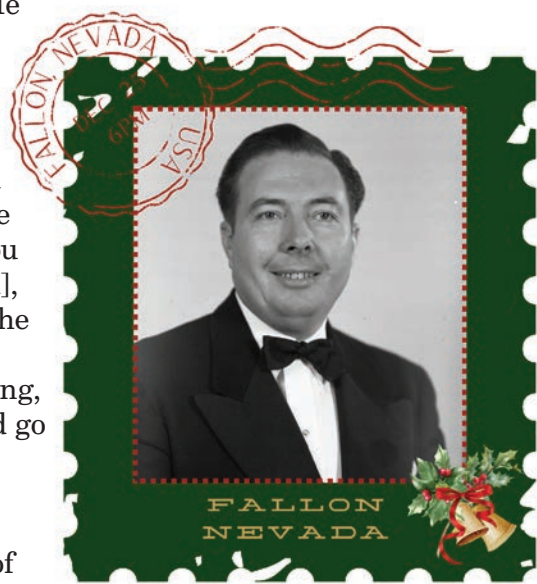
After high school, for Woodliff, the band played on. He was part of a band called “The Stompers: The Dance Band with the Punch.” They played for dances in Yerington, Lovelock, Hawthorne, and Fallon. The biggest band Woodliff played in was called “The Fallon Serenaders.”

He recalled, “That was a pretty good band. We had eight in this band... We played for most of the dances around Fallon.... Those were the things that people did in those days: dance.” After 1926, when the Fallon Fraternal Hall was built, many dances were held there.

And, while the town danced, so did the county. Schoolhouses at Old River, Union, Lone Tree, Harmon, Stillwater, and Northam were gathering places for celebrations and holidays, with dancing to follow whatever program had been planned. The band members were part of the neighborhood, so the mix of instruments varied, but there was always a piano, usually a fiddle. In Old River, Mario Peraldo contributed the accordion. Pat Solegui (1924-?), in an oral history, remembered going to country dances “because my mother and Don [her brother, Don Wise] and their little band played for dances all the time. We used to have dances at the Union Schoolhouse.” One of my friends who grew up attending schoolhouse dances remarked that the evening always began with the Virginia Reel and ended with food.

Many of you may remember that during the 1950s and into the 1960s, a Fallon social club called “The Mr. and Mrs. Club” was dedicated to dancing. Members would organize a monthly dance, live band only, and spend the evening dancing. A buffet was served at around midnight, and, depending on the crowd, the dancing might go on and on.

Please send your stories, questions, ideas for this column, etc., to mackedon@phonewave.net.



Michon Mackedon is a native of Fallon and a retired professor of English and Humanities (WNC). She loves her family, her home, her dog, reading, writing, making good food, and sipping a glass of fine white wine. Beyond that, she refuses to be categorized.

Allison's Book Report

“Blue Sisters” by Coco Mellors



The first week in December is gone, and Christmas will be here before we know it. You are probably very busy preparing for holiday parties, shopping for that special gift, decorating, and keeping the cat from climbing the Christmas tree and knocking it over. Okay, that last one might just be me. This really is the most wonderful time of the year for my little kitty, Tonks. Having a tree indoors is her chance to connect with her mountain lion roots, and there is no stopping her from stressing me out from her new perch. Regardless of how long our to-do lists are or how naughty my cat is, reading is a great way to take a break from the hustle and treat ourselves to a cozy little moment, so I have a great read to get you through the week.

“Blue Sisters” by Coco Mellors is an interesting take on siblings, grief, and family baggage. The Blue sisters are all exceptional, and as individuals, they are also exceptionally different. Avery, a recovering heroin addict turned buttoned-up lawyer, lives with her wife in London; Bonnie used to be a professional boxer, but after a devastating defeat, she’s working as a bouncer in LA; and the youngest, Lucky, is a model in Paris who is trying to outrun her hard-partying ways. They also had a fourth sister, Nicky, whose unexpected death a year ago still has the family reeling. As they each navigate grief, addiction, and ambition, they all return to New York to stop the sale of the apartment they were raised in. The sisters are forced to examine their tumultuous childhood and the loss of the one person who held the family together. Coming home helps them see that the bond between sisters is unlike any other. It is the key to keeping them living after loss and ultimately falling in love with life again.

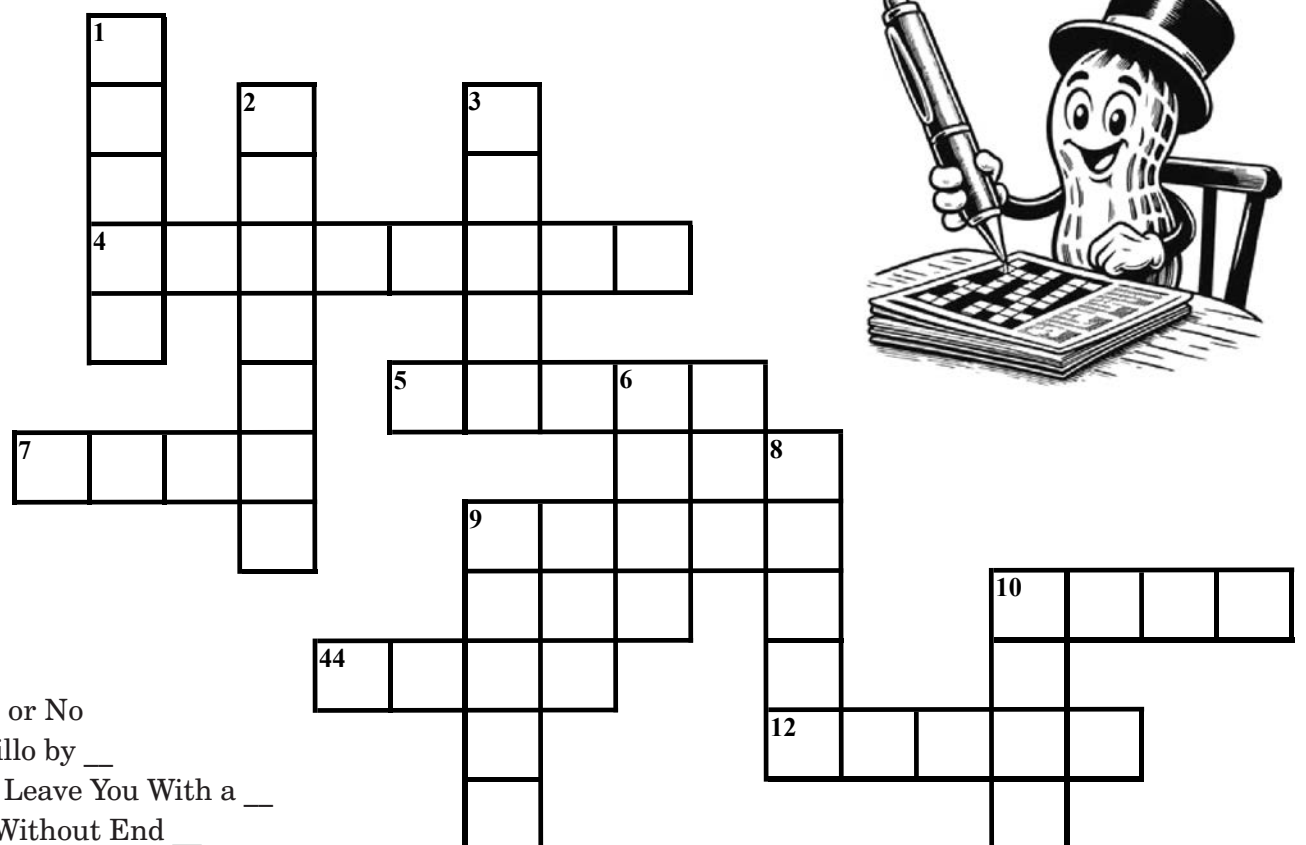
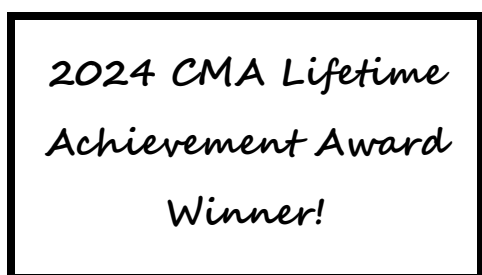
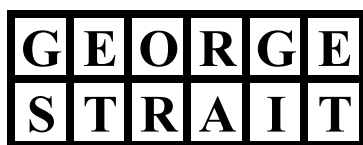
Mellors’ writing style is full of heart and humor, and her portrayal of a complicated family during the hardest time in their lives is spot on. I got very attached to the Blue sisters. There is something in each of these flawed characters for readers to relate to.

I have fished the cat out of the tree three times while writing this, so send good vibes that she loses interest soon. I encourage you to find some time to read this week, no matter how busy you are – and then pop over to my Instagram @allison.the.reader and tell me what you’re reading this holiday season.

Allison Diegel is the Executive Chaos Coordinator at the Diegel Home for Wayward Girls. She has been reading since before she could talk, and now she likes doing lots of both.

Crossword

By Peanut



Across

- 4. __ Your Love With Me
- 5. All My Ex’s Live in __
- 7. Write This __
- 9. Blue __ Sky
- 10. Carried __
- 11. You Look so __ in Love
- 12. I Saw God __

Down

- 1. __ Yes or No
- 2. Amarillo by __
- 3. She’ll Leave You With a __
- 6. Love Without End __
- 8. Ocean __ Property
- 9. I __ my Heart
- 10. Give it __

COLUMNS

What's Cooking in Kelli's Kitchen

By Kelli Kelly

As I near the completion of my fourth year of weekly columns in the Fallon Post, I am reminded of my intentions for this endeavor. I hope to help demystify cooking, encourage you to try new techniques and recipes in your home kitchens, and open your eyes to the importance of eating seasonally and within our local foodshed. When I started this column in 2021, we were witnessing the collapse of our American food system. The predominant agricultural paradigm in the United States emphasizes efficiency. The system seemed safe and bountiful if you didn't look too closely. At any time of year, you could walk into your local grocery store and buy virtually anything that your heart desires regardless of the season. This system was vulnerable and capable of causing harm, and when we experienced the global interruption of COVID-19, the system collapsed.

One of the outcomes of the breakdown of our national food system was an increased awareness of the importance of local and

regional food systems. In late 2022, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced the availability of \$360 million for a new program - Regional Food Business Centers. According to the application request, the centers "are envisioned to provide coordination, technical

assistance, and capacity building support to small and mid-sized farm and food businesses, to create a more resilient, diverse, and competitive food system." Nevada, Arizona, California, and Utah are part of the Southwest Region. Our state team for the center includes teams from the University of Nevada, Reno Extension, the Desert Farming Initiative, the Nevada Department of Agriculture, and the Nevada Small Business Development Center.

On December 2, our Nevada Center announced a new grant opportunity for food systems businesses. For the next three years, \$200,000 is available annually to help businesses build capacity and access new markets, leading to increased viability and resiliency. Eligible applicants include any Nevada business that works with or sources ingredients from a Nevada agricultural producer. Our goal is to have more food for people grown in Nevada, manufactured in Nevada, and consumed in Nevada. For more information about the Food Business Center, visit <https://extension.unr.edu/food-business-center/>.

You are part of the local food system. As someone who eats, your decisions make a difference. When you start thinking about where your food is grown/raised/made, you have taken a step toward being engaged in our local food system. Eating foods from Nevada helps increase the resiliency and viability of our local food system and the individual farms, ranches, and value-added producers in our communities. For more information about certified Grown in Nevada producers, visit <https://madeinnevada.org/grown-in-nevada/>.



Kelli Kelly, Slinger of Produce. Slurper of Dumplings. Person of the Bean.

Butternut Squash Brothy White Beans

Ingredients:

- 1 Butternut squash
- 1 head Garlic
- 4 cup Chicken stock
- 2 tbsp. Olive oil
- 2 cup Brussels sprouts, thinly sliced
- 1 White onion, thinly sliced
- 4 sprigs Rosemary, stems removed & chopped
- 4 sprigs Thyme, stems removed & chopped
- 1 tbsp. Calabrian chili paste
- 1/2 lb. White beans, cooked
- 2 tbsp. Red wine vinegar
- Kosher salt & black pepper
- 1/4 cup Dry white wine

Directions:

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F. Halve the squash and remove the seeds. Drizzle with olive oil and place cut side down on a lined sheet pan. Cut the top off the garlic head, drizzle with olive oil, wrap in aluminum foil, and add to the baking sheet.
2. Roast the squash and garlic for 30-45 minutes until the squash is very soft, then remove from oven. Scoop the squash into a blender along with the chicken stock. Squeeze in the roasted garlic. Blend until well combined.
3. In a large pot over medium heat, add 1 tbsp. of olive oil and half of the shredded Brussels sprouts. Cook until slightly charred. Remove from pan. Add another tbsp. of olive oil and sauté the onions until softened. Add the herbs and season with salt and pepper. Add the white wine, bring to a simmer, and reduce the liquid by half. Add in the chili paste and stir to combine. Add in the cooked beans and the butternut broth. Bring to a simmer.
4. Add in the uncooked Brussels sprouts. Cover and simmer for about 15 minutes. Season to taste with salt and pepper, and add a dash of red wine vinegar. Garnish with charred Brussels sprouts, and enjoy.

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**10th Judicial District Court
Case No. 20-10DC-1016**

In the Matter of the guardianship of Leeam Randall John Silveira, a minor child. To John Sousa Silveira and/or Melissa Bass and/or Estella Sousa,

You are hereby notified that there has been filed in the above-entitled court a petition seeking the resignation of guardianship over the above-named child and a petition seeking the removal of the child from the home of Zachary and Kimberly Woodward, and that the petition has been set for hearing before this court in Churchill County, on the 10th day of December, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom #1 located at 73 N. Maine Street suite B, Fallon, Nevada.

Zachary and Kimberly Woodward,
Petitioners
Fallon, NV
Churchill County, Nevada

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DATED: This 15th day of November, 2024.

// Signed //
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**SUMMONS
CASE NO. 24-10DC-1237**

IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHURCHILL

Lake A. Pressey,
As True and Lawful Owner, Plaintiff,
Vs.
ROBERT LINDEKUGAL, IVA LINDEKUGEL, U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A., as Trustee for LSF8 Master Participation Trust, J & R INVESTMENTS, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company, STEVEN McQUEEN, and all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the real property described in the Complaint adverse to the ownership of Plaintiff, or any cloud upon Plaintiff's title thereto.

THE STATE OF NEVADA SENDS GREETINGS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT:

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TO THE DEFENDANT: A civil Complaint has been filed by the plaintiff against you for the relief set forth in the Complaint.

The object of said action is to quiet title for one parcel of land in Churchill County (the "Property") commonly known as 300 Mason Road, Hazen, Nevada 89408, APN 009-271-77, and more particularly described as follows:

All that certain real property situated in the County of Churchill, State of Nevada, described as follows: Parcel #2 Robert Lindekugel and Iva Lindekugel Parcel Map, Recorded in the office of the County Recorder of Churchill County on April 18, 2006 File #380820

1. If you wish to defend this lawsuit, you must, within 21 days after this Summons is served on you, exclusive of the day of service, you must do the following:
 - a. File with the Clerk of this Court, shoes address is shown below, a formal written response to the Complaint in accordance with the rules of the Court.
 - b. Serve a copy of your response upon the attorney whose name and address is shown below.
2. Unless you respond, your default will be entered upon application of the plaintiff, and this Court may enter a judgment against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint, which could result in the taking of money or property or other relief requested in the Complaint.
3. If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your response may be filed on time.
4. You are required to serve your response upon plaintiff's attorney, whose address is:

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The term of this appointment is from January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2026. The Board of Trustees will interview selected applicants at a Regular Board of Trustees meeting on December 18, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the District Office. The Board will take action to appoint a Trustee to fill the vacancy.

For questions regarding applications or the appointment process, please call Karina Keeler at 775-423-5184.

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